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ASSIGNMENT IN OPTICAL TRANSPORT NETWORKS  
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**Request for Reconsideration**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action ("Office Action") in the above-identified patent application, please consider the remarks below.

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